FISCAL NOTE

HB 2759 - SB 2819

February 19, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Transfers the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners from the Department of Health to the Department of Agriculture and requires the transfer to be completed by January 1, 2007.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Net Impact - Not Significant

Assumptions:

- The Department of Agriculture, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §4-29-121, would be required to collect fees in an amount sufficient to pay the cost of operating the Board. Should the Board operate at a deficit for two consecutive fiscal years, the Board would be subject to a revised termination date.
- The decrease in the Department of Health's expenditures and revenues would be offset by the increase in the Department of Agriculture's expenditures and revenues.
- Any filled or unfilled, authorized and funded positions assigned to the Board will be transferred to the Department of Agriculture. All personal property, equipment, and other materials made available to the Department of Health for the Board shall be transferred to the Department of Agriculture.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Jam W. White

James W. White, Executive Director